



# WARM WEATHER PACKING FOR EBERSOLE (OVERNIGHT)

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Below are tips and a checklist to help make sure campers have everything they will need while they are at camp. Being prepared is the first step towards having the best camp experience possible! The checklist is only a guide – campers may not need everything listed.

Most camp activities are outside – **rain or shine**. The camp experience is much more enjoyable when campers are dressed and prepared for Michigan’s unpredictable weather. Please be prepared for rain, cold, and hot weather. Plan ahead and understand that the weather might change drastically even during a short trip.

## PACKING TIPS

- 1) **Label EVERYTHING.** Include first and last name on everything campers bring to camp. Old clothes and shoes are quite the style at camp. Campers will get dirty and wet.
- 2) **Do not pack anything of value.** Things get lost, damaged, and/or borrowed while at camp. Campers are responsible for everything they bring.
- 3) **Think layers.** Michigan weather is unpredictable and can change drastically day to day, especially depending on the season.
- 4) **Did we mention LABEL EVERYTHING?**

## WARM WEATHER PACKING CHECKLIST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> sleeping bag or sheets and blanket               | <input type="checkbox"/> sleepwear  | <input type="checkbox"/> sunscreen (minimum SPF 30)       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> pillow (one pillow, please)                      | <input type="checkbox"/> shirts (enough for stay)   | <input type="checkbox"/> bug repellent (minimum 30% DEET) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> towel  | <input type="checkbox"/> two pairs of long pants  | <input type="checkbox"/> baseball hat or sun hat          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> toothbrush and toothpaste                        | <input type="checkbox"/> two pair of shorts   | <input type="checkbox"/> reusable water bottle            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> soap (in a container or bag)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> socks (send extra)   | <input type="checkbox"/> feminine products                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> shampoo  | <input type="checkbox"/> underwear (send extra)   | <b>Optional Items:</b>                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> deodorant  | <input type="checkbox"/> at least one pair of appropriate outdoor footwear - closed-toe shoes only, no sandals or slides (for safety); shoes will get wet | <input type="checkbox"/> books, magazines                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> comb or brush                                    |   | <input type="checkbox"/> pencil, notebook                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> raincoat or poncho (trash bags also work great!) |   | <input type="checkbox"/> bathing suit                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> jacket or sweatshirt (nights are cold)           | <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Face Mask(s) – COVID Safety</u>   |   |

### **A Special Note about Cell Phones and Electronic Screens**

We strive to make camp a place for slowing down, “unplugging” from our devices, and for being more fully engaged with those around us. Campers are generally not allowed to have cell phones or other electronic screens at camp. While it may seem counter-intuitive, we have found that campers who bring cell phones have a harder time adjusting at camp and can have more difficulty with homesickness. A large part of camp is learning to be independent and you can help your camper succeed by making sure they do not bring a cell phone or other electronic device. However, if you would like your camper to have a phone for traveling purposes we will gladly keep it locked in the office until departure day. Please just let us know if we should expect your camper to have one.